FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States
Department of
Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: May 21, 2003

BUYS: Dried Fruit

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) purchased dried pitted plums for distribution to the needy family and other related domestic food assistance programs, according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

Products, quantities, size of pack, and program costs consist of the following:

Product	Container Size	Total Pounds	Total Number of Cases	Estimated Total Cost
Dried Pitted Plums	24/1 lb	108,000	4,500	\$98,805.00

USDA rejected offers received from vendors to sell Natural Thompson (sun-dried) Seedless Raisins due to price consideration.

The purchases are the result of offers received in response to USDA's Announcement FV-207, Invitation No. 071 dated April 23, 2003.

These products were purchased on a delivered to destination basis. Deliveries are to be made from July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003.

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 2546-South Building, Washington, DC 20090-6456, telephone (202) 720-4517 or the website at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV207

COMM GROUP : FRUITS, DRIED INVITATION : 071

COMMODITY TYPE : PLUMS, PITTED, DRIED PACK SIZE : 24/1 LB

CONTRACTOR NAME: SUNTREE LLC

PLANT ADDRESS : OROSI CA

ITEM NUM	DESTINATION CITY ST		QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)	
001	CARTHAGE	MO	1,500	\$	22.0300
002	CARTHAGE	MO	1,500	\$	22.0300
003	ALBUQUERQUE	NM	1,500	\$	21.8100

TOTAL AWARDED: 4,500